

REMARKS/ARGUMENTS

Reconsideration of this application is respectfully requested.

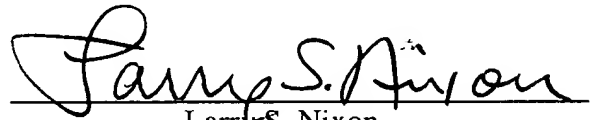
In response to the formality-based objections to claims 1, 15 and 19, those claims have been further amended above so as to obviate all outstanding grounds for objection.

Accordingly, all pending claims are now believed to be in fully allowed condition and a formal Notice to that effect is respectfully solicited.

Respectfully submitted,

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